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What Really Happened Between the Winslows and the Wampanoags



Carolyn Brenan Harvey, author/illustrator and DAA instructor, displays her book *The Great Marsh* to students during a recent drawing class at the DAA. Photo by Christine Swem

The Duxbury Art Assn will present an exciting opportunity for children to explore their local history through art and literature. On June 1, at 1 pm, local author and artist Carolyn Brenan Harvey will read aloud from her book, *The Great Marsh*. Following the reading, she will lead a discussion and help the children create a mural inspired by what they learned from the story. Miss Harvey will autograph copies of her book.

The Great Marsh set in Duxbury Bay in the late 1600's is a charming tale about children of the Wampanoags and their friendship with the English settlers. The interaction between the 2 cultures helps show children that ancient people did live peacefully for a time and that customs and traditions that are different from ours, are interesting. The story is a wonderful combination of fact and fiction told through flowing dialogue and lovely illustrations. Children will easily relate to the characters and their exciting adventures.

Author and artist Harvey, is a long time member of the DAA and she is chairman of art education for North River Art Society. Her artwork has been accepted into a juried national exhibit which will be held in the Arthur

Ross Gallery, University of Pennsylvania, from June through august this year.

She is proud of her Native American heritage and lived on the edge of the marsh at the end of Duck Hill Rd. in Duxbury near the historic Winslow House. Her heritage and interest in archaeology and genealogy prompted the writing of her first book, *The Great Marsh*.

The reading will take place on June 1 at 1 pm, at the Ellison Center for the Arts at the Lower Alden School. The price is \$10 per child and includes reading, signed copy of *The Great Marsh*, art project and refreshments. Recommended age is 5 and up.

In conjunction with the reading for children there will be an art exhibit and sale for adults. The exhibit features work by Carolyn Brenan Harvey and Winslow descendant, Mabel Colburn. Coffee will be served and admission to the exhibit is free. All proceeds benefit the DAA.

The Duxbury Art Assn is proud to be in collaboration with South Shore Conservatory for the Ellison Center for the Arts.